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|  | Application No.   | Applicant(s)   |  |  |  |
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| Office Action Summary  | Examiner  | HAN, CHIEN-CHUNG   |  |  |  |
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| 1) Responsive to communication(s) filed on   |   |  |  |  |  |
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| closed in accordance with the practice under Ex parte Quayle, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.  |   |  |  |  |  |
| Disposition of Claims  |   |  |  |  |  |
| 4) Claim(s) <u>1-38</u> is/are pending in the application  | ation.  |  |  |  |  |
| 4a) Of the above claim(s) is/are withdrawn from consideration.   |   |  |  |  |  |
| 5) Claim(s) is/are allowed.  |   |  |  |  |  |
| 6) Claim(s) is/are rejected.   |   |  |  |  |  |
| 7) Claim(s) is/are objected to.  |   |  |  |  |  |
| 8) Claim(s) <u>1-38</u> are subject to restriction and   | d/or election requirement.  |  |  |  |  |
| Application Papers   |   |  |  |  |  |
| 9)☐ The specification is objected to by the Exa  | miner.  |  |  |  |  |
| 10)☐ The drawing(s) filed on is/are: a)☐ accepted or b)☐ objected to by the Examiner.  |   |  |  |  |  |
| Applicant may not request that any objection to  | the drawing(s) be held in abevance  | See 37 CFR 1 85(a)   |  |  |  |
| Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the co  |   |  |  |  |  |
| 11)☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by th  | ie Examiner. Note the attached Off  | ice Action or form PTO-152.  |  |  |  |
| Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119   |   |  |  |  |  |
| 12) Acknowledgment is made of a claim for for  | eian priority under 35 U.S.C. & 110   | 3(3) (d) or (f)  |  |  |  |
| a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:   | org., priority under 65 5.5.5. 3 119  | (a)-(d) or (i).  |  |  |  |
| 1. Certified copies of the priority docum  | nents have been received.   |  |  |  |  |
| 2. Certified copies of the priority docum  |   | eation No  |  |  |  |
| 3. Copies of the certified copies of the   | priority documents have been rece   | eived in this National Stage   |  |  |  |
| application from the International Bu  | reau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).  | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·  |  |  |  |
| * See the attached detailed Office action for a  | list of the certified copies not recei  | ived.  |  |  |  |
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| Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)   Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO 048)  | 4) Interview Summa  |  |  |  |  |
| B) Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB   | ) Paper No(s)/Mail<br>8/08) 5) Notice of Informa  | Date<br>al Patent Application (PTO-152)  |  |  |  |
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## DETAILED ACTION

## Election/Restrictions

- 1. Restriction to one of the following inventions is required under 35 U.S.C. 121:
  - I. Claims 1-23, drawn to a device, classified in class 428, subclass 36.9.
  - II. Claims 24-38, drawn to a method of making a device, classified in class 264, subclass 29.1.

The inventions are distinct, each from the other because of the following reasons:

Inventions I and II are related as process of making and product made. The inventions are distinct if either or both of the following can be shown: (1) that the process as claimed can be used to make other and materially different product or (2) that the product as claimed can be made by another and materially different process (MPEP § 806.05(f)). In the instant case, the product as claimed can be made by another and materially different process such as by extruding a hollow tube and then carbonizing.

2. Because these inventions are distinct for the reasons given above and have acquired a separate status in the art as shown by

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their different classification, restriction for examination purposes as indicated is proper.

3. A telephone call was made to W. Wayne Liauh on November 4, 2004 to request an oral election to the above restriction requirement, but did not result in an election being made.

Applicant is advised that the reply to this requirement to be complete must include an election of the invention to be examined even though the requirement be traversed (37 CFR 1.143).

4. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Christopher P Bruenjes whose telephone number is 571-272-1489. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday thru Friday from 8:00am-4:30pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Harold Pyon can be reached on 571-272-1498. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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Christopher P Bruenjes Examiner

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